

In the Claims:

Please cancel claims 28-30, 32-36, 42-43, and 50-51. Please amend claims 23-26, 31, 37-40, 44, 45-48, and 52. Please add new claims 53-64. The claims are as follows:

1-22. (Canceled)

23. (Currently amended) A method for providing navigational instructions, said method comprising:

a service centre receiving a signal from a first device, said signal specifying a destination location, a receiving device selected from the group consisting of the first device and a second device, and a request for at least one route leading to the destination location such that the at least one route is to be sent to the ~~second~~ receiving device; and

~~said service centre determining a device type of the second device during or after said receiving the signal from the first device; and~~

in response to said receiving the signal from the first device, said service centre sending at least one set of images to the ~~second~~ receiving device, wherein each set of images of the at least one set of images defines a unique route leading to the destination location, ~~and wherein a total number of the at least one set of images and a content of each set of the at least one set of images are a function of the determined device type.~~

24. (Currently amended) The method of claim 23, wherein the receiving device specified in the signal is the first and second devices are a same device.

25. (Currently amended) The method of claim 23, wherein the receiving device specified in the signal is the first and second devices are different devices.

26. (Currently amended) The method of claim 23, wherein the signal specifies a starting location, wherein the at least one set of images comprises a plurality of sets of images, and wherein the unique route defined by each set of images leads to the destination location from the starting location.

27. (Previously presented) The method of claim 23, wherein the service centre comprises a database, wherein the database comprises the at least one set of images, and wherein the method further comprises:

said service centre receiving a vote on a usefulness of each received image in the at least one set of images; and

said service centre modifying the database in dependence upon said received votes, wherein said modifying comprises at least one of replacing, deleting, and amending at least one image in the at least one set of images in the database.

28-30. (Canceled)

31. (Currently amended) The method of claim 30 29, wherein each set of images comprises a furthest image that is furthest from the destination location, wherein the furthest images of the

plurality of sets of images collectively form on a ring of images surrounding the destination location, and wherein the ring of images is shaped as a circle whose center is at the destination location.

32-36. (Canceled)

37. (Currently amended) A computer program product stored on a computer readable storage medium, comprising computer readable program code for performing a method for providing navigational instructions, said method comprising:

a service centre receiving a signal from a first device, said signal specifying a destination location, a receiving device selected from the group consisting of the first device and a second device, and a request for at least one route leading to the destination location such that the at least one route is to be sent to the ~~second~~ receiving device; and

~~said service centre determining a device type of the second device during or after said receiving the signal from the first device; and~~

in response to said receiving the signal from the first device, said service centre sending at least one set of images to the ~~second~~ receiving device, wherein each set of images of the at least one set of images defines a unique route leading to the destination location, ~~and wherein a total number of the at least one set of images and a content of each set of the at least one set of images are a function of the determined device type.~~

38. (Currently amended) The computer program product of claim 37, wherein the receiving device specified in the signal is the first ~~and second devices are a same~~ device.

39. (Currently amended) The computer program product of claim 37, wherein the receiving device specified in the signal is the first ~~and second devices are different devices~~.

40. (Currently amended) The computer program product of claim 37, wherein the signal specifies a starting location, wherein the at least one set of images comprises a plurality of sets of images, and wherein the unique route defined by each set of images leads to the destination location from the starting location.

41. (Previously presented) The computer program product of claim 37, wherein the service centre comprises a database, wherein the database comprises the at least one set of images, and wherein the method further comprises:

said service centre receiving a vote on a usefulness of each received image in the at least one set of images; and

said service centre modifying the database in dependence upon said received votes, wherein said modifying comprises at least one of replacing, deleting, and amending at least one image in the at least one set of images in the database.

42-43. (Canceled)

44. (Currently amended) The computer program product of claim 43, wherein each set of images comprises a furthest image that is furthest from the destination location, ~~[[and]]~~ wherein the furthest images of the plurality of sets of images collectively form on a ring of images surrounding the destination location, and wherein the ring of images is shaped as a circle whose center is at the destination location.

45. (Currently amended) A system comprising a service centre, said service centre comprising a database for storing images of locations and a computer program product for performing a method for providing navigational instructions using images in the database, said method comprising

a service centre receiving a signal from a first device, said signal specifying a destination location, a receiving device selected from the group consisting of the first device and a second device, and a request for at least one route leading to the destination location such that the at least one route is to be sent to the ~~second~~ receiving device; and

~~said service centre determining a device type of the second device during or after said receiving the signal from the first device; and~~

in response to said receiving the signal from the first device, said service centre sending at least one set of images to the ~~second~~ receiving device, wherein each set of images of the at least one set of images defines a unique route leading to the destination location, ~~and wherein a total number of the at least one set of images and a content of each set of the at least one set of images are a function of the determined device type.~~

46. (Currently amended) The system of claim 45, wherein the receiving device specified in the signal is the first and second devices are a same device.

47. (Currently amended) The system of claim 45, wherein the receiving device specified in the signal is the first and second devices are different devices.

48. (Currently amended) The system of claim 45, wherein the signal specifies a starting location, wherein the at least one set of images comprises a plurality of sets of images, and wherein the unique route defined by each set of images leads to the destination location from the starting location.

49. (Previously presented) The system of claim 45, where the database comprises the at least one set of images, and wherein the method further comprises:

said service centre receiving a vote on a usefulness of each received image in the at least one set of images; and

said service centre modifying the database in dependence upon said received votes, wherein said modifying comprises at least one of replacing, deleting, and amending at least one image in the at least one set of images in the database.

50-51. (Canceled)

52. (Currently amended) The system of claim 51, wherein each set of images comprises a furthest image that is furthest from the destination location, [[and]] wherein the furthest images of the plurality of sets of images collectively form on a ring of images surrounding the destination location, and wherein the ring of images is shaped as a circle whose center is at the destination location.

53. (New) The method of claim 23, wherein the at least one set of images comprises a first set of images consisting of multiple images, and wherein said sending the at least one set of images to the receiving device comprises sending the first set of images to the receiving device two images at a time.

54. (New) The computer program product of claim 37, wherein the at least one set of images comprises a first set of images consisting of multiple images, and wherein said sending the at least one set of images to the receiving device comprises sending the first set of images to the receiving device two images at a time.

55. (New) The system of claim 45, wherein the at least one set of images comprises a first set of images consisting of multiple images, and wherein said sending the at least one set of images to the receiving device comprises sending the first set of images to the receiving device two images at a time.

56. (New) The method of claim 23, wherein the at least one set of images comprises a plurality of sets of images, wherein the signal specifies a starting location, wherein the service centre comprises a database that includes multiple locations and multiple sets of images leading to different destination locations, wherein the method further comprises said service centre determining that the database does not comprise the starting location specified in the signal, and wherein the unique routes defined by the sets of images of the plurality of sets of images consists of all possible unique routes to the destination location that are stored in the database.

57. (New) The computer program product of claim 37, wherein the at least one set of images comprises a plurality of sets of images, wherein the signal specifies a starting location, wherein the service centre comprises a database that includes multiple locations and multiple sets of images leading to different destination locations, wherein the method further comprises said service centre determining that the database does not comprise the starting location specified in the signal, and wherein the unique routes defined by the sets of images of the plurality of sets of images consists of all possible unique routes to the destination location that are stored in the database.

58. (New) The system of claim 45, wherein the at least one set of images comprises a plurality of sets of images, wherein the signal specifies a starting location, wherein the service centre comprises a database that includes multiple locations and multiple sets of images leading to different destination locations, wherein the method further comprises said service centre determining that the database does not comprise the starting location specified in the signal, and

wherein the unique routes defined by the sets of images of the plurality of sets of images consists of all possible unique routes to the destination location that are stored in the database.

59. (New) The method of claim 30, wherein a first unique route leading to the destination location and defined by a first set of images of the at least one set of images comprises a plurality of images on the circle.

60. (New) The computer program product of claim 44, wherein a first unique route leading to the destination location and defined by a first set of images of the at least one set of images comprises a plurality of images on the circle.

61. (New) The system of claim 52, wherein a first unique route leading to the destination location and defined by a first set of images of the at least one set of images comprises a plurality of images on the circle.

62. (New) The method of claim 30,

wherein the at least one set of images comprises a first set of images and a second set of images,

wherein the unique route defined by the first set of images is a first unique route leading to the destination location from a first starting location on the circle,

wherein the unique route defined by the second set of images is a second unique route leading to the destination location from a second starting location on the circle,

wherein the first unique route comprises a first image at the first starting location on the circle, an inner image at an inner location inside the circle, and a destination image at the destination location, and

wherein the second unique route comprises a second image at the second starting location on the circle, the inner image at the inner location inside the circle, and the destination image at the destination location.

63. (New) The computer program product of claim 44,

wherein the at least one set of images comprises a first set of images and a second set of images,

wherein the unique route defined by the first set of images is a first unique route leading to the destination location from a first starting location on the circle,

wherein the unique route defined by the second set of images is a second unique route leading to the destination location from a second starting location on the circle,

wherein the first unique route comprises a first image at the first starting location on the circle, an inner image at an inner location inside the circle, and a destination image at the destination location, and

wherein the second unique route comprises a second image at the second starting location on the circle, the inner image at the inner location inside the circle, and the destination image at the destination location.

66. (New) The system of claim 52,

wherein the at least one set of images comprises a first set of images and a second set of images,

wherein the unique route defined by the first set of images is a first unique route leading to the destination location from a first starting location on the circle,

wherein the unique route defined by the second set of images a second unique route leading to the destination location from a second starting location on the circle,

wherein the first unique route comprises a first image at the first starting location on the circle, an inner image at an inner location inside the circle, and a destination image at the destination location, and

wherein the second unique route comprises a second image at the second starting location on the circle, the inner image at the inner location inside the circle, and the destination image at the destination location.